

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington DC 20554

In the Matter of)	
Implementation of the Subscriber)	
Carrier Selection Changes Provisions)	
of the Telecommunications Act of 1996)	CC Docket No. 94-129
)	
Policies and Rules Concerning)	
Unauthorized Changes of Consumers')	
Long Distance Carriers)	

MEMORANDUM OF ORAL EX PARTE PRESENTATION

On August 10, 2004, the following people met to discuss the new requirement for a local exchange carrier (LEC) to verify inbound carrier change requests when customers want to change to the interexchange carrier (IXC) affiliate of that LEC: Susan Bahr, Law Offices of Susan Bahr, PC, representing Alpine Communications LC, Clarks Telecommunications, Co., Great Plains Communications, Inc., Lexcom Telephone Company, NebCom, Inc., Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, The Nebraska Central Telephone Company, and Waitsfield-Fayston Telephone Company; and Christopher Libertelli, Office of Chairman Powell.

We discussed the pending pleadings on this issue. I described the anti-competitive impact of the verification requirement, and pointed out that there is no need to impose this requirement on small LECs which do not slam customers. I suggested that, among other things, the Commission could grant waivers to the LECs that have requested them (including those LECs that requested waivers in the comments filed January 2,

2004), or grant the petition for reconsideration by exempting small rural LECs from the verification requirement (as also suggested in those comments).

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's Rules, this memorandum is being filed via ECFS in the captioned docket. A copy of this memorandum is being sent via email to Christopher Libertelli, Office of Chairman Powell.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan J. Bahr". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'S' and 'B'.

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